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## Editorially Speaking

Faith is a word Christians find themselves using with great freedom and familiarity, but too often with little thought of all faith really is. In this short space I could never begin to tell all about faith. And if I had the space still I could not tell all, because I know so little about faith.

But, this I do understand. Faith will banish unbelief and take away all doubt. Once a man's heart is filled with faith, and unbelief is gone, he has a positive way of speaking and behaving. You will never hear that man say it can't be done. That is, concerning matters we know to be God's will. He is not a man who sits by and offers only remarks of gossipy criticism. Rather he will give himself, his possessions and his time to get the job done.

The man of faith will read Hebrews the eleventh chapter and thrill when he realizes that his faith is not bound by circumstances or hard conditions. He knows, when everything indicates he will be defeated, he will *not* lose, because he has the promise of God.

Doubt brings depression, gloom and sadness. It never wins souls, heals bodies or liberates from sin. Doubt never brought the erring son back to God. It never built a church. Never left a good testimony. It causes divorce, ruins churches, fills hearts with misery and lives with suffering. Doubt is sin.

What a great contrast between faith and unbelief. Faith gives confidence and assurance that souls will be saved, there will be liberation from sin, bodies are going to be healed. The family will be brought back together. The erring son will find God. The church will prosper. All this victory is crowned with the joy and peace of God.

All because of FAITH.

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## Cover Picture

The new President of Bethany Bible College, C. C. Burnett, is our cover personality this month. In the background stands the beautiful Craig Memorial Chapel. For details concerning President Burnett see page 11.

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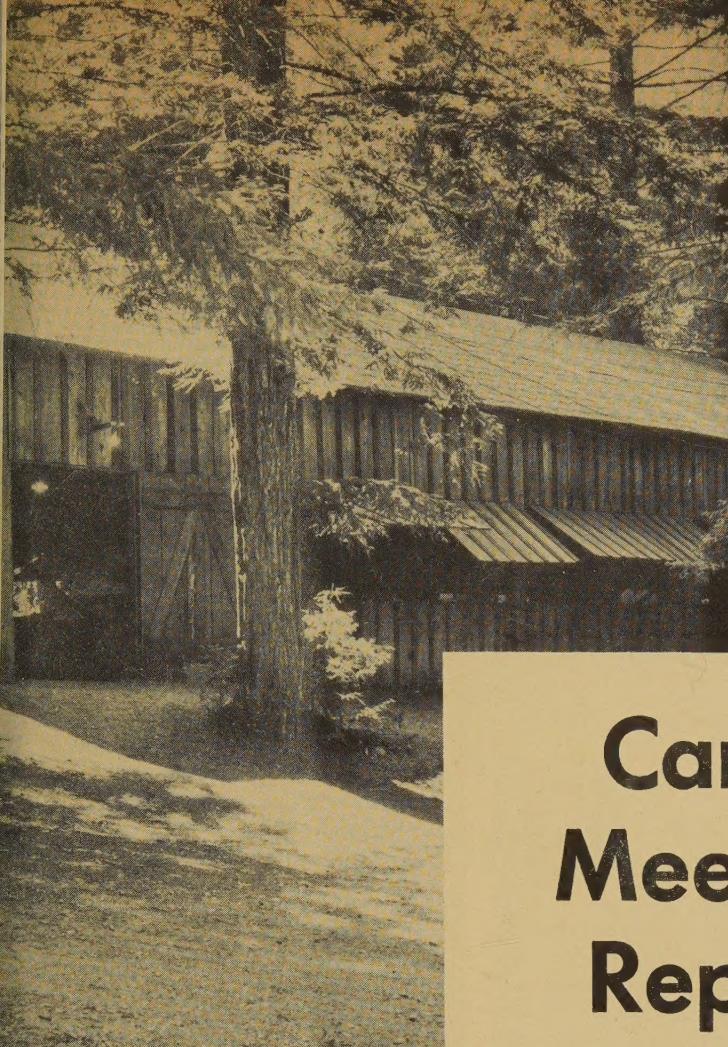
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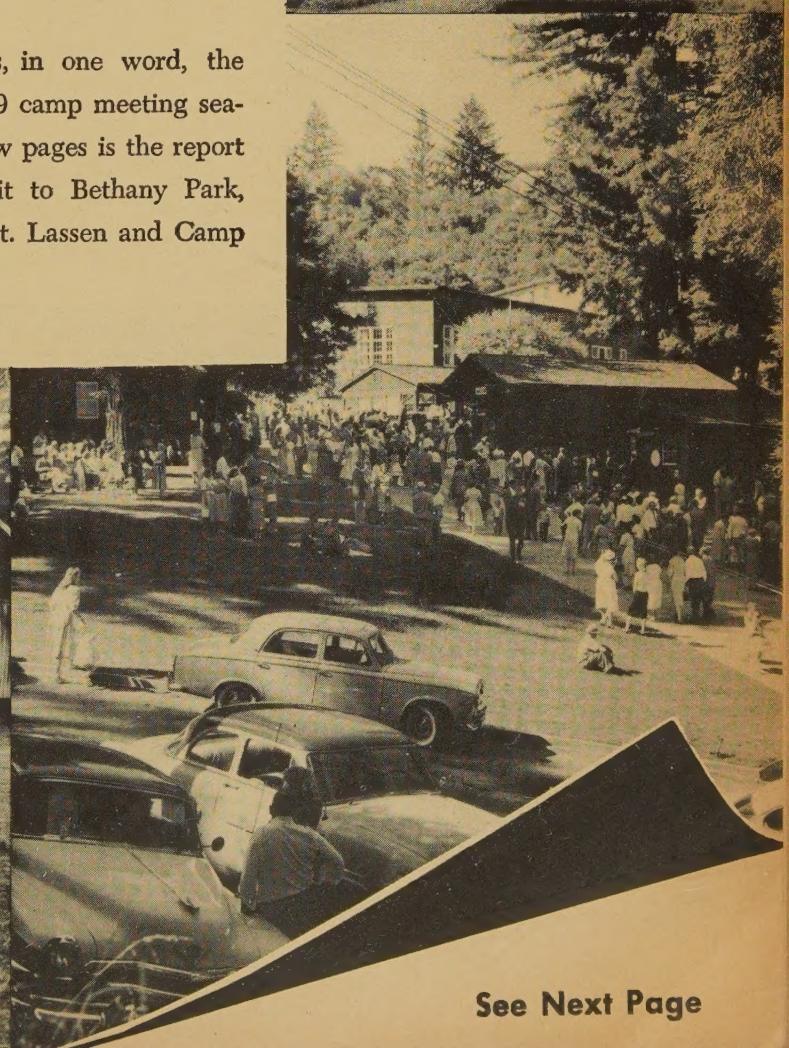
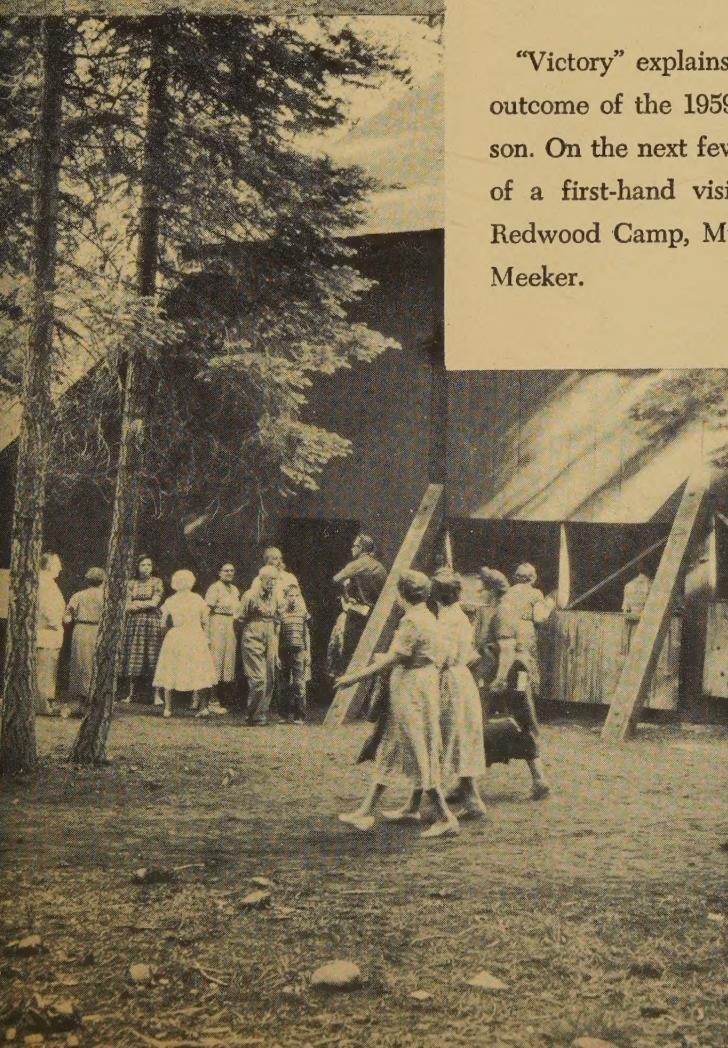
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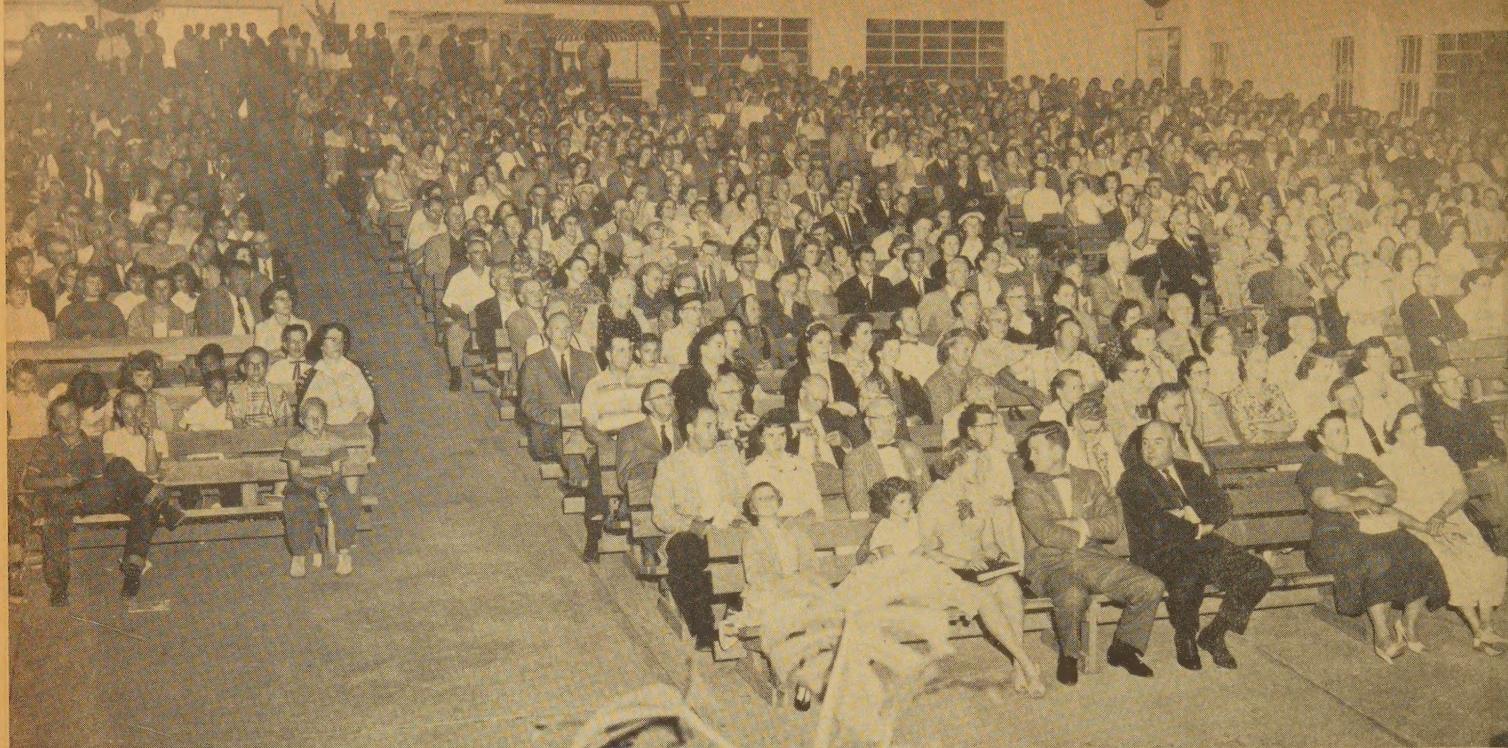


# Camp Meeting Report

"Victory" explains, in one word, the outcome of the 1959 camp meeting season. On the next few pages is the report of a first-hand visit to Bethany Park, Redwood Camp, Mt. Lassen and Camp Meeker.



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## Record Crowds at Bethany Park

By ZELMA ARGUE

"Heaven is bending low to kiss the earth." was the comment heard at Bethany Park. Truly, "Days of heaven upon earth," would be a fitting description. A rich unity prevailed among God's people. Sounds of praises were heard emanating from the prayer room, both early in the morning and until one in the morning; sounds well known in the early days of Pentecost, of seekers seeking the face of Jesus and of intercession and humble adoration. Night after night the unsaved

found the Saviour and hungry hearts were filled according to the Pentecostal pattern. There were miraculous healings and deliverances in answer to prayer in which God was greatly glorified. Each morning, following the Minister's Institute taught by Bro. Arthur Graves. It was eagerly attended by workers and congregations alike. Night after night the vast auditorium, packed to the back, found an audience hanging breathlessly on the burning words of the young evangelist, G. W. Hardcastle, Jr. On the night he told the story of how he became a flaming

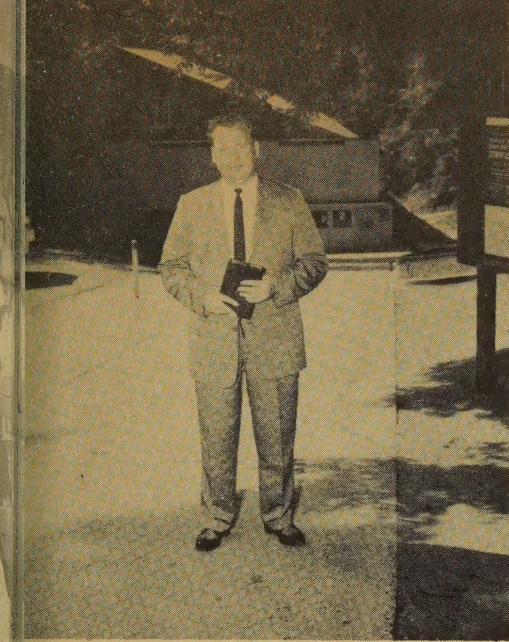
torch, when over 4,000 volts of electricity went through his body, and seven doctors gave him up to die, yet God spared him when he cried unto the Lord, hundreds of young people weeping and surrendering, filled the aisles and altar. On other occasions he could not preach because of the cloud of glory.

Under the towering redwood trees of Bethany Park, rich Christian fellowship was shared by a multitude. Some of the honored guests were Jack Holcomb and Bill Carl, great men of gospel song, as well as evangelist Raymond T. Richey and others. Brother Joe Prettyman led the song services victoriously. Sister Zelma Argue was in charge of morning devotions and was the special prayer room worker. All shared in rejoicing over the many who came to camp hungry, but able to return home filled with the Spirit. It is a Camp that has made history for God and to Him we give the glory.



(Above) Each evening and in many other services the Tabernacle was filled to capacity. On several occasions many people were forced to remain outside and listen to the service over the public address system.

(Left) Meeting old friends and Christian fellowship, add to the blessing of camp meeting.



G. W. Hardcastle, Jr., camp evangelist.



(Above) Many gathered at the altar and in the prayer room to seek God at the conclusion of each service.



Attorney Frank Murphy, one of a number of guest speakers for the Ministers' Clinic.



(Above) Brother and Sister Franklin assist in taking the pledges and offering following the Missionary service.



(Left) On July 4 a patriotic rally was held. A color guard from Fort Ord was present as well as several chaplains. Left to right, Sp. 5 Clayton McClelland, Sfc. Minora Sako, Recruit Lewis Miller, Capt. James Dugruid, Raymond T. Richey, Maj. Dudley Boyd, Maj. Joseph L. Gerhart, Lt. Col. Frank Griepp, Recruit Ted Keck, Sfc. Henry Cleveland, Sgt. Wade Creech.



The Camps adequate tabernacle is in a beautiful setting of pines.



Brother and Sister Oliver are typical of many of the folks at Lassen, they enjoy Camp because they really camp.

(Right) Interior view of the tabernacle.



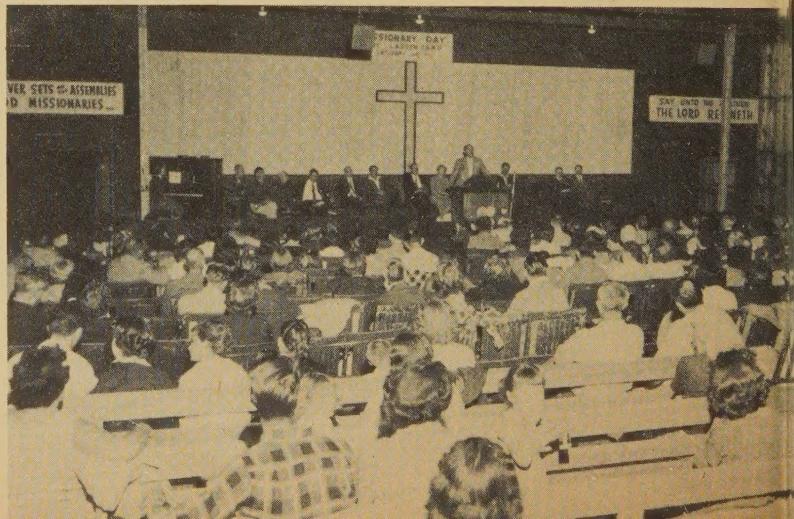
There is food and fellowship to be had at "Chat 'n Chew."

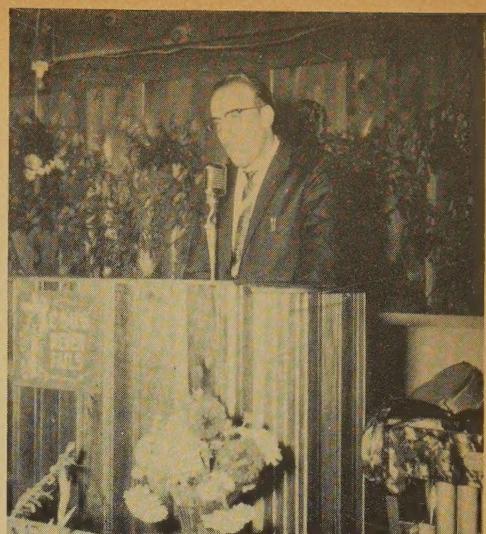
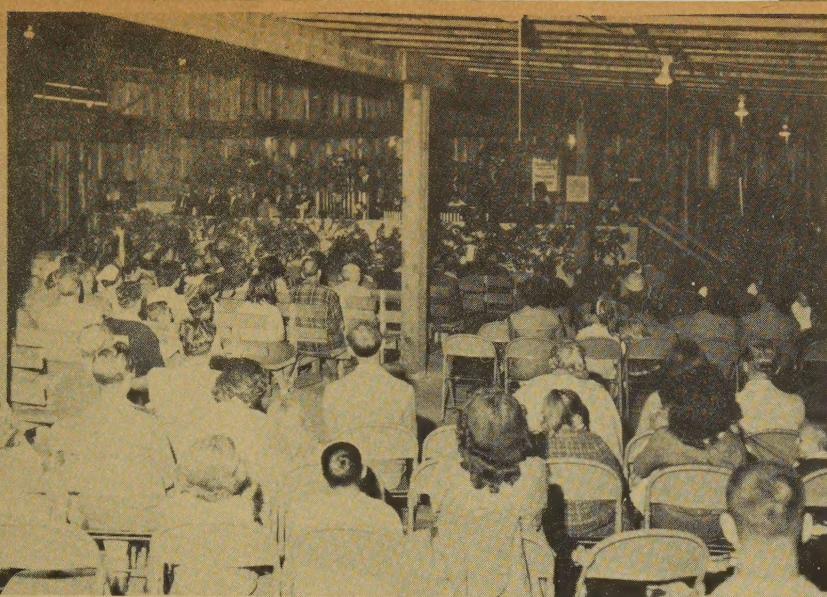
## Showers of Blessing at Mt. Lassen

Mt. Lassen Camp, located near the Mt. Lassen National Park, is able to report another year of victory. Every service was blessed with the presence of God. People were stirred by the messages to draw nearer to the Lord. A number were baptized in the Holy Spirit during the wonderful prayer services.

Camp evangelist, Dwight McLaughlin, was anointed nightly to deliver faith building Bible sermons. Paul Trulin, teacher, brought a series of lessons on Christian living that will be of long lasting blessing to those who heard them. A spirit of love for one another and unity prevailed on the campgrounds.

Chairman of the camp was Harold D. Byram, secretary, H. C. Casper and treasurer, C. Donald North.





Judge B. Lindsey, camp speaker.

## Redwood Camp Enjoys Outpouring

Redwood Camp, serving the Northwest section of our District, enjoyed a wonderful adult camp. Rev. Judge B. Lindsey, who served as both evangelist and teacher, brought messages each day that stirred the entire camp. The prayer room was the scene, each night, of hungry folks seeking the full blessings of God.

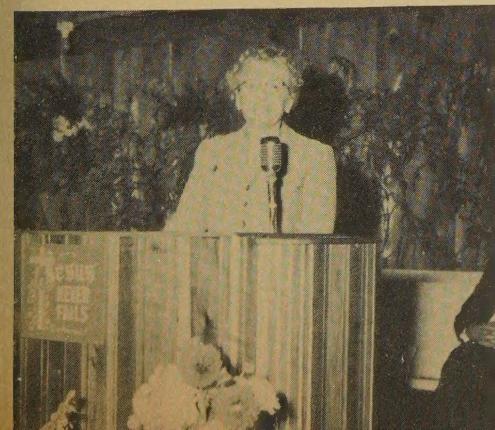
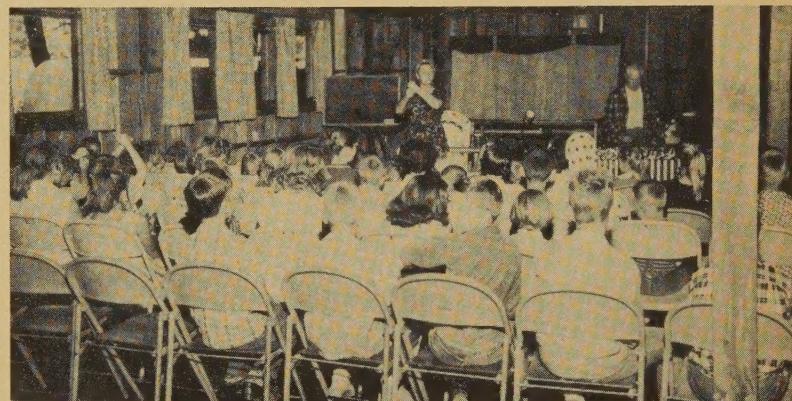
This camp was a time of fellowship as well as receiving spiritual blessings. People were enjoying the opportunity of renewing friendships and meeting new friends. Redwood Camp, which is rightly named as it sits among the redwoods, is just outside Eureka. Many working folks are able to attend the evening services.

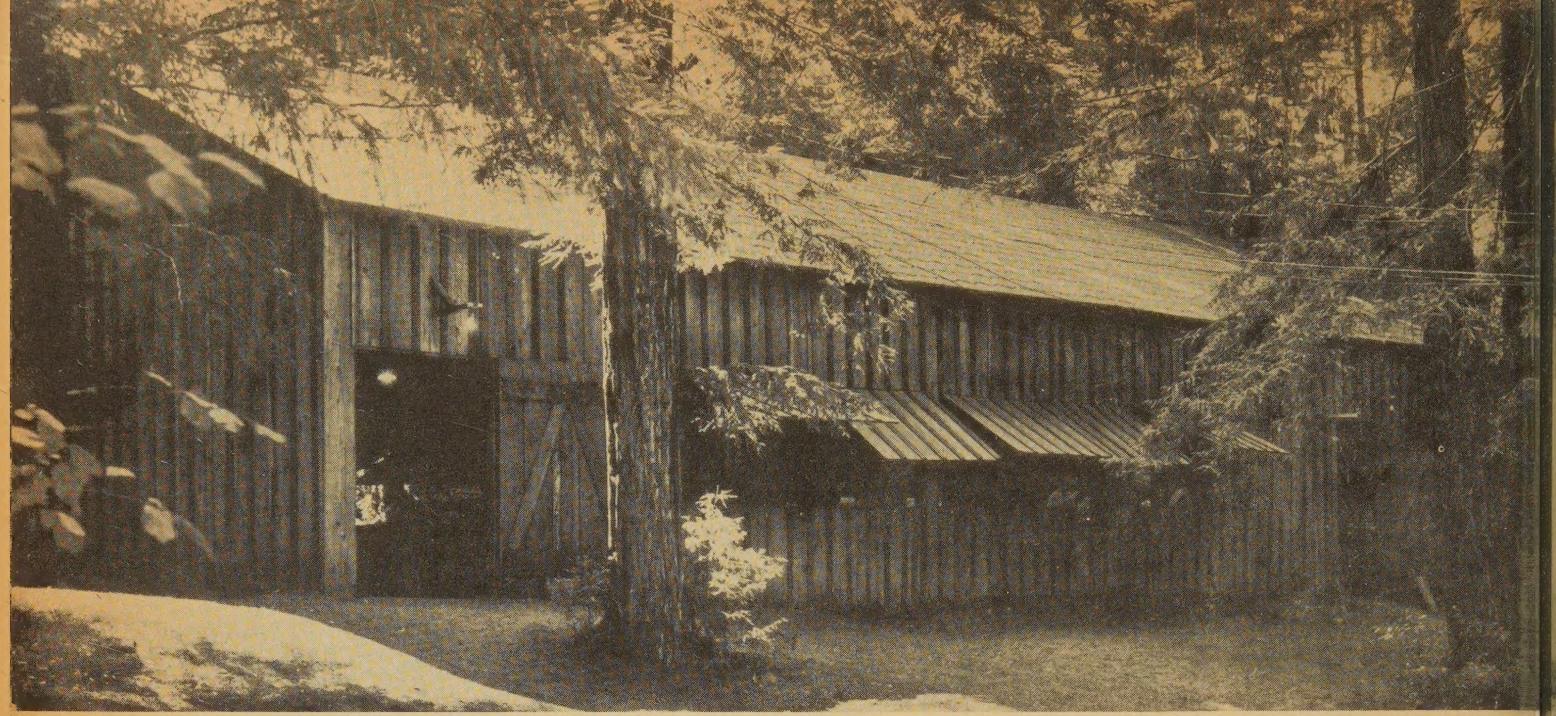
Samuel Sanders is the chairman of this camp.

(Upper right) Childrens Church is conducted each day during adult camp.

(Lower right) It is tents and outdoor cooking that attract many to Redwood Camp.

(Below) Zelma Argue was a one day guest at Camp.





## Meeker Conducts Successful Adult Camp

Meeker Assemblies of God Camp has concluded its first adult camp. This makes a total of four adult camps conducted in our District each year. From the results of this first meeting, it is apparent Meeker will be a great blessing to the people in the North Bay and Lake-Mendocino Sections. The Spirit of the Lord was present from the very outset of the camp until the closing service.

Each evening Rev. Clyde Henson of Sacramento brought a message

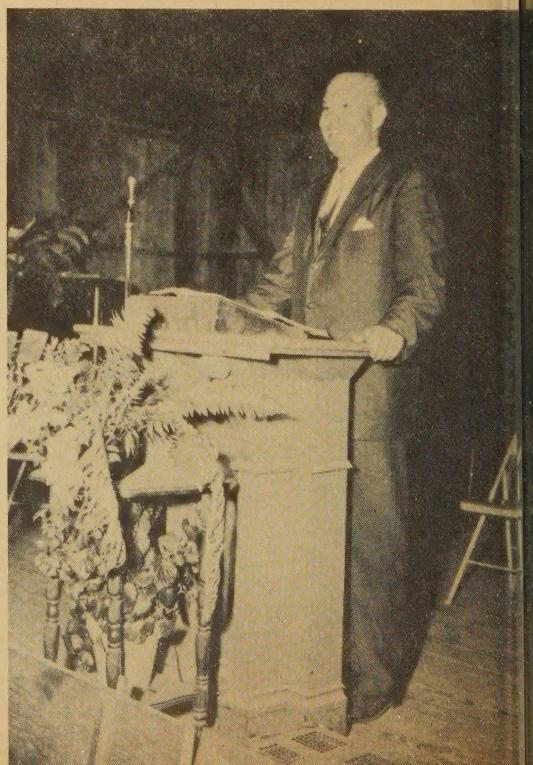
from the Word under the anointing of the Spirit. Some were brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Over 20 received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Several healings were recorded. For all this, may God receive the glory.

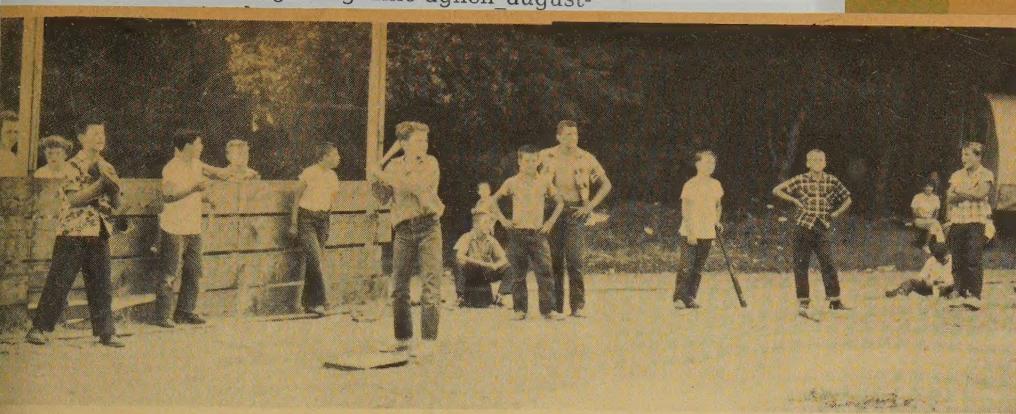
Meeker Camp is located 12 miles west of Sebastopol in the wonderful redwoods. The facilities are adequate as well as beautiful.

Albert Finch is camp chairman. P. C. Ford is adult camp director.

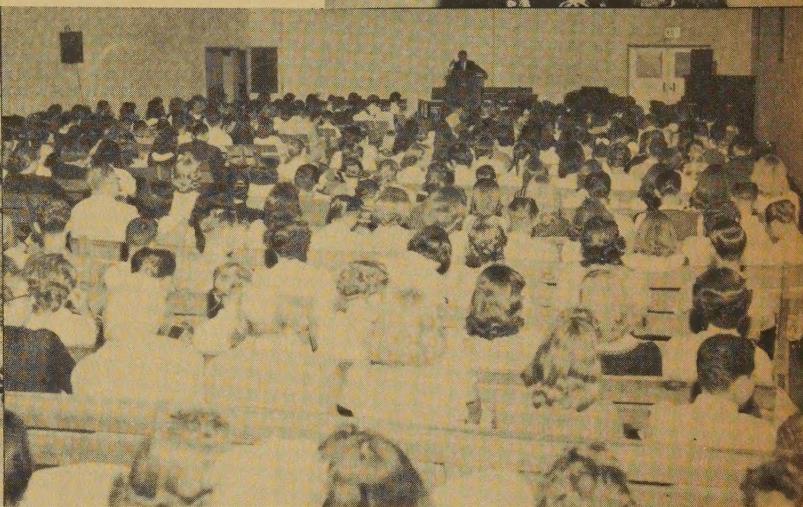
(Upper right) Camp Meeker is located in a restful grove of redwoods.

(Lower right) Clyde A. Henson, pastor of Bethel Temple, Sacramento, was camp speaker. (Below) The campers gathered for a group picture.





## Youth and Kids Camps Report



(Upper left) Plenty of fun and recreation at Kids Camp. (Upper right) Sister Reeves and Susie. (Lower left) C. A. Camp counselors. (Lower right) Kenneth Roper speaking at the Bethany Youth Camp.



### Over Top in Youth Camps Boys and Girls Camps Best Ever

by Walt Boring

Again, I am happy to report that we have had another over the top year in youth camps. Registrations were up to a new high, with 196 checked in at Mineral, 339 at Bethany Park, 121 at the Redwood Camp and 30 at Bass Lake. Spiritually, the camps kept the usual pace of previous years, with teen-agers being saved night after night and many being filled with the Holy Spirit. There were approximately 196 conversions and 110 Holy Spirit baptisms in the combined camps.

Evangelist Ken Roper spoke at Mineral, Bethany and Bass Lake and pastor Bob Clark spoke at the Redwood Camp. The ministry of these two young men was well received and mightily anointed. We give God thanks for them.

All of the camps were staffed with Spirit filled counsellors who worked

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(Above) Counselor Jeannette Asmuth and her group. (Below) Rev. Billy Reeves telling an Indian story to the boys.

by Dave Colbert

As the District kids camps become history we must pause briefly to record their success. Volumes could be written concerning the many spiritual experiences enjoyed by the campers at every camp. God's visitation among the campers will be impossible to evaluate, however we are convinced that many decisions were made for Christ and only eternity will furnish the genuine facts. It is our prayer that everyone that came forward will remain true to Christ and those that have received the infilling of the Holy Spirit will realize the true purpose of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

The camp theme, *Indian Trails*, blended well with the imagination of the young minds which made the atmosphere alive with the lore of early America. The campers were divided into Indian tribes of Apaches, Cherokee, and Mohawks. Sports, Bible

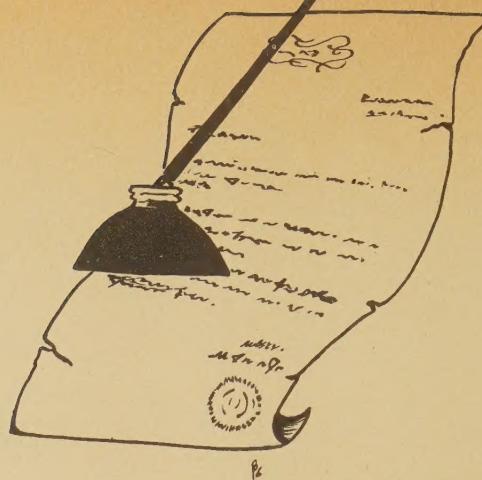
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# Where There is a Will There is a Way

By

JACK R. EDGAR

District Sec.-Treas.



Your  
Money  
and  
God's  
Work

Often, we put off some of the most important things in life until it is too late. One of the most neglected duties is the making of our wills. Some feel that their families will take care of it after their death, but the sad story is that the courts and not the deceased's family have the full say, unless there is a well written will.

There is a growing emphasis over America among Christians on writing out their desires which will instruct the courts how they want their money and possessions distributed. If a will is made it will save embarrassing situations. It will also save court costs and attorney fees that sometimes take the entire legacy.

Whether we have large or small estates we should realize that what we have has been given to us of God. We are to be good stewards of this while we are alive, as well as to plan for the continuing use of our money after we are gone.

So many folks ask, "How do I go about making a Will?" First seek God in earnest prayer for His guidance. You will need to consider your families need and then, of course, the work of God that is being carried on in the earth today.

It will pay you to go to a good lawyer and tell him your desires. It is not as expensive as you may think and the legal pitfalls that can be avoided will many times repay the first cost of the will. It often depends on the amount of legal work to be done by your attorney. The fees for a will generally run from \$5.00 to \$50.00.

Your attorney will show you how you may waive bond, the need of naming persons who legally have a right to your possessions, the correct way of inserting your church for tax free gifts and etc. A will offers you real tax benefits. The Federal Government has made provision in the tax program for the support of religious,

educational and charitable institutions. There is complete exemptions of taxes for religious causes. The 20% deduction of taxable income and charitable contributions was increased by an Act of Congress in 1954 to 30%. The extra 10% was for contributions to a church, association of churches, a tax exempt educational institution or an exempt hospital.

It is really wonderful when we give our money this way and it can be poured into the stream of God's work.

The fact that a Christian prayerfully makes out a will demonstrates his awareness of his responsibility as a Christian steward. It further shows, in a concrete way, his belief in Christian principles; namely that He is only a trustee of his possessions and that God is the owner of all things. A Christian will provides for the continuing support and influence of the ministry of Christ and His Kingdom. It is a natural follow through of a Christian life and a fulfillment of a trust assigned to us by God. On through the years, after you have gone, your contributions whether large or small will stand as an effective instrument for the spreading of the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The tragic fact is 70% of American property owners die without leaving a will.

Catherine Marshall in her book *To Live Again* tells that her famous husband, Peter Marshall, died without leaving a will and how it brought such hardship and confusion to her and her family. First her husband's bank account was frozen. They did not have a joint account. No money could be drawn for funeral or household expenses. The insurance policies in the strong box in the bank were immediately sealed by the Internal Revenue Department regulations. It took three weeks of cutting red tape before they could even initiate collection of death

proceeds. By law of the District of Columbia, Mrs. Marshall received only 1/3 of her husband's estate and her children 2/3. It was necessary to appear in probate court to post expensive bond and be made administratrix of her husband's affairs. Nothing could be paid for until the court passed on it. The costly appraisal of her husband's possessions was an added expense. Mrs. Marshall had to appear in court to be made her son's legal guardian with all the bother and annoyance of giving yearly detailed account to the court for the keep of her own son. This will go on until he becomes of age.

Mrs. Marshall said, "When I realized the amazing amount of red tape involved in my husband's small estate, I literally ran to my lawyer to get help in making a will of my own. I have urged my parents and close friends to do so, as well."

Rev. and Mrs. Marshall had saved some money for a trip abroad, but by the time final accounting was made in the probate court the money had been drained away in legal and court costs.

It is well also to talk over your bequests with your pastor. He will know where your money can best be placed as a memorial to you. You will find a wonderful outreach for your estate by remembering your own Northern California and Nevada District of the Assemblies of God. There are many departments that are handicapped because of lack of finances. Our Bethany Bible College which has sent out thousands of young people into a life of Christian service is a wonderful place to invest your money. Also there are home Missionaries, the American Indians, New Church Promotion, Christ's Ambassadors, Sunday School, Women's Missionary Council and Men's Fellowship. In any of these you would find a place for your gifts that would be a blessing until Jesus comes.

In the advance of our District there is contemplated a printing plant. We need to think of a place for our aged ministers, missionaries and laymen who have come to the twilight of life and have no place to go. We could give of our financial blessings to help those who have labored so faithfully for the Lord. Also, our General Council with its world-wide scope in missions, education, youth, servicemen and radio is a channel for legacy funds.

It is interesting to note that our Southern Baptist friends have 32 full time men working in the field of wills

## Cordas C. Burnett Takes Presidency of Bethany Bible College

On June 9, in special session, the Bethany Bible College Board of Trustees selected Cordas C. Burnett as president. The post was vacated last spring by Leland R. Keys, now pastoring Bethel Church in San Jose.

Bro. Burnett has made his home in Springfield, Missouri, in recent years where he has filled various positions. Most recently he has served as National Secretary of Education for the Assemblies of God. In addition to this Brother Burnett has been active as Secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals, General Council representative to the American Bible Society in which organization he also served as an officer from 1948 to 1958. Since 1956 he has been treasurer of the North American Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges.

President, Burnett, who is known as a man of diligence and hard work, was instructor of history and philosophy at Central Bible Institute from 1948 to 1952. In 1954 he became Vice President of the school and served in that position for four years.

Constantly in wide demand as a camp and convention speaker, Brother Burnett draws from his experience as an administrator, and pastor, (Cincinnati, Ohio; Granite City, Illinois; South Bend, Indiana; etc.) in delivering forceful and effective messages.

On Feb. 6, 1917 Brother Burnett was born in Mounds, Illinois. He attended grade school and high school



Cordas C. Burnett

in Granite City. He went to Central Bible Institute and later to Notre Dame University. He graduated cum laude with B. A. from DePaul University. His graduate work was done at George Washington University. Brother Burnett has been honored by South Eastern Bible College at Birmingham, Alabama with the award of a Doctor of Divinity degree.

Brother Burnett, along with his family, wife Dorothy and daughters, Barbara, age 15, and Mailyn age 8, will be making his home in Santa Cruz.

It is apparent already that under President Burnett's capable direction Bethany Bible College will enjoy increasingly more prosperous and fruitful days.

and bequeaths.

In remembering these phases in his will, a Christian can realize that he is discharging his responsibility to his family, his society and to the institutions which nourished him spiritually during his life time. A Christian will is simply an extension of Christian living. It is inspired by the individuals deepest spiritual nature, sanctified thinking and planning. It will result in salvation of many souls and the extension of the Kingdom of God.

Some one has said, "Money that contributes to the onward sweep of

truth, is as imperishable as truth itself. Treasure that is spent for the Kingdom of God is beyond the reach of moth and rust."

If you have any further questions you may write us at the District Office and we will be happy to help you in any way we can. A few folks have already, by their wills, been instrumental in our District progress. The two missionary homes at Pacific Mission Villa are an example.

Why don't you seek the Lord and do something about a Christian will today?

# Men's Fellowship



WALT HANSON, President



## Walt Hanson and Gunnar Sondeno in Plane Mishap

President Walt Hanson and Vice President Gunnar Sondeno were injured as their Beachcraft Bonanza plane was making a crash landing in a meadow near Elkins, West Virginia on June 26. Walt and Gunnar were traveling west from New Jersey where they had been speakers in a Men's Fellowship convention.

Gunnar, who was the pilot and is

a lieutenant commander in the Naval Reserves, suffered an injury to his right arm. Walt received a serious back injury. Both were taken to the Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins where they remained for over two weeks until Walt was able to be flown to California. Many doors of opportunity to witness were opened during their stay there.

The Elkins newspapers described their escape as "miraculous." Due to bad weather and several other adverse circumstances, Gunnar was forced to make a crash landing. He dropped down out of the fog to find he was only 500 feet above the ground. After circling to find an open area, he came in with wheels up to avoid having them dig into the soft ground. At 60 mph the engine stalled and with the plane's belly about one foot above the earth the right wing struck a tree, ruining the chances for a perfect crash landing. The plane spun around and jolted to a stop about 75 years from the touch down point.

Gunnar had flown over 3,000 hours without any mishaps.

Realizing the seriousness of Walt's condition, especially, the word of their accident traveled to all parts of the District, where people earnestly sought God for their recovery.

Both men are doing fine and will soon be back in full swing.

### KIDS CAMPS

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quizzes and cleanest cabins became competitive among the campers, to see which tribe was to be awarded. At the close of camp a tribal Prince and Princess were crowned with a special headdress which was achieved by earning the most arrows (points) during the week of camp.

We thank God for the competent counselors and staff which sought God daily for their very important ministry to the children of our district.

The camp evangelists, including Rev. Billy Reeves and wife, Bethany Park and Mt. Lassen Camps; Rev. McPherson, Camp Meeker; Rev. Roy Blakely, Redwood Camp; and Rev. Harry Leacock, Bass Lake Camp; all gave evidence in their preaching of the burden for the Boys and Girls.

The total enrollment for the six camps will approach the 1000 mark with approximately 180 being saved and approximately the same number experiencing the Holy Spirit baptism.

Prayer is needed as your district director attempts to make a follow-up of each new convert with the hopes of reaching families for God. The churches that sent children to camp will be sent a list of names and other information to aid the pastor in his personal follow-up program of the ones that received Christ at camp.

## Every Man Win A Man In '59



## W.M.C. Activities

GOLDIA ANDERSON, President



### SIX WEEKS IN CENTRAL AMERICA

by Alpha Henson

It was ten o'clock in the evening when Goldia Anderson and I arrived in Mexico City. We had an eventful trip from San Francisco but had looked forward to seeing the great metropolis of Mexico. Goldia's knowledge of the Spanish language was spectacular in that she said 'good-by' when she should have said 'hello,' and my brief knowledge was a few short phrases that brought a broad grin to the faces of those most hospitable Latin people. However, we managed to get through customs and to our hotel.

Sunday morning we left Mexico City by plane for Acapulco. We were met at the airport by Mrs. Marsh, the superintendent of the orphanage. She spoke the Spanish language so fluently that we felt relieved of all responsibility, checked all we had to her, and became her charge. Enroute to our hotel, Mrs. Marsh and Bruno, one of the boys from the orphanage, drove us by the beautiful hotel where Mexico's president, Pierre Margues, resides. Acapulco has the most beautiful hotels in all the world and this one particularly was very picturesque with its stately palm trees and white sandy beaches. We stayed at the hotel Templo which was very lovely.

On Sunday morning we spoke at a little crowded Mexican church and were greeted with a kindness and courtesy that is typical of Latin hospitality. Dinner at the orphanage was served at four o'clock. The menu consisted of rice and beans but the atmosphere was that of a large family that was loved. A family where the warmth of a mother's love was felt from the heart of Mrs. Marsh. I shall always hold in fond memory the way she listened to the many little orphans that surrounded her. Not once was she oblivious to their requests. She gave them all a mother's attention. There are 68 orphans but they have the care as though each one is the only one there.

The day before our arrival a sweet

little girl was left at the orphanage. Since I have come home, Bethel Temple has adopted her. She is a darling child.

The evening service at the orphanage was one that touched our hearts. The children sang for us in English and later they expressed their love to



Edith Whipple, Alpha Henson and Goldia Anderson in the market.

us and gave their appreciation for our being there.

We left Acapulco the following morning for Guatemala where we met Edith Whipple, the national secretary. Our purpose there was to attend the first annual conference of the Women's Missionary Council in Guatemala. There the W.M.C. group is known as the C.M.F. — Concilio Misionero Femenil. There is a total of 80 local groups with a membership of 1,209. The planning and organization of the convention was under the capable direction of our missionaries' wives. The schedule included three meetings a day which were all well attended.

At the close of the convention we went to Pinahichal with Brother and Sister Franklin, veteran missionaries to Central America who minister to the ancient Mayan Indians. In my thinking this was the most colorful setting in all Central America. The Franklins took us to the ancient village of Chichicastenango where we

saw the witch doctors burning incense to their gods on the steps of the temple. They have many gods and some of them worship the image of Judus Iscariot. Our hearts were moved with compassion as we went into the temple and saw the poor and sick burning candles to their gods to bring about the requests of their hearts. We stood in the light of the candles and breathed a prayer to God to send a great revival among these colorful and ancient people.

At one service which we had in a small adobe church, that perhaps would have the seating capacity of 200, it was estimated that at least 500 people sat crowded on the floor to hear the Gospel. Goldia remarked



Watching incense being burned to gods.

that she felt so inhibited, with hardly room to sit without being crowded, but her heart was moved as we prayed for those who came for help and prayer.

There is great hope for the eternal welfare of these people all because of the burden and vision of our most capable missionaries. They are giving their lives for the evangelizing of people who are steeped in darkness and lost to the light of God.

From the Republic of Guatemala we flew to El Salvador and in next months issue I shall tell you of our experience in that Republic.

(Continued Next Month)



B. B. C. Student Union

## Three Modesto Youths Honored

Pastor L. B. Lewis and the people of Bethel Church in Modesto are extremely proud of three of their young people. Why? Because each of them graduated as valedictorian of their respective schools.

Ernice Poletti was at the top of her graduating class at Modesto Junior College. At the commencement exercises she delivered the valedictory address. She is making plans to enter the teaching field.

Marlene Poletti matched her sister Ernice by graduating as valedictorian from Ripon High School. She, also, is training for a teaching career.

At the same time over at Hughson

High, Richard Degerman finished at the head of his class with a 4.0 grade point average. He holds the highest academic record in the history of the school. Among many honors and awards, Richard received appoint-



R. Degerman, E. Poletti, M. Poletti

ments to both the Naval and Air Force Academies. He chose the Air Force appointment.

On Sunday evening, June 21, the service at Bethel was set aside for these three honor students to give their commencement speeches.

### Evangelists In Our District

Brother Palmer, familiar to all in our District, is now open for evangelistic services. His ability as a capable preacher of the Word and a man of deep spiritual insight, qualifies him

Leonard Palmer

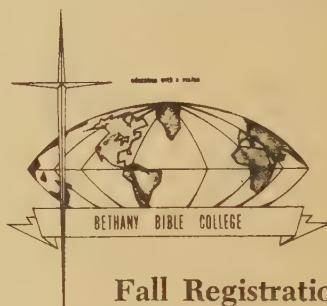


to minister anywhere. He has been having good meetings with the presence of God evident by the results. Brother Palmer served our District competently and with good success as superintendent. He is equally as good an evangelist. Write, Rev. Leonard Palmer, 712 Almar Avenue, Santa Cruz, California.

## College Erects Student Building

On July 4 the new Student Union building on the Bethany Bible College campus was dedicated. This beautiful new building will house the Spot, Book Store, Student Lounge, 12 dormitory rooms and the full basement for maintenance equipment. Along the full length of the back side runs a veranda which offers a scenic view. For several years there has been a growing need for a building such as this.

Many alumni and friends of the school were present for the dedication. Rev. Arthur H. Graves, Bethany Park Camp Meeting teacher, brought a brief message. The building was open and refreshments were provided.



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# Sunday School Department



**DAVE COLBERT, Director**

# Operation D. D. Advance

Rev. Rosen and church were hosts to the first Sunday school missionaries. Rev. Rosen is the pastor of a new work in the Country Centre area of Sacramento. This first venture of the Sunday school missionaries had its beginning early in the Bethany Bible College year when a group of students gathered at the district office at the invitation of the Sunday School director. The possibility of a team being formed and going to various churches on the weekends was quickly brought into existence. The canvassing team has called on many hundreds of homes finding that approximately 35% of all homes were good prospects for the local church. From this beginning the Lord laid upon us the hopes of sending two or more out during the summer months to carry on this work in a more intensive manner, thus the Sunday school missionary program was launched. The plan is that this missionary team will go into the local church for the primary object of calling on the homes of a given community to discover prospects and get them into the local church through the ministry of a followup program. Classes are conducted by the team for the purpose of instructing or laying a plan before the local church visitation group that may be followed long after the Sunday school missionaries leave the community. This plan has worked effectively at the Country Centre Church in Sacramento with hundreds having been contacted. The first team sent consisted of two young men from Bethany Bible College. Their names are Oroville Webb and Robert Frost. These two men have dedicated their summer to this ministry and are finding many and varied experiences are theirs as they knock on doors in this program known as "Operation D. D." which means Operation Door to door.

The responsibility of the Sunday School Department for this missionary team is to supply the clothing, supplies and transportation. Thus far in the program the department has been able to fulfill this responsibility only because of the faithfulness of the tithing Sunday schools of our district.

We trust that more Sunday schools will feel the responsibility of this entire Sunday school program for the district and begin to tithe from the offerings received each Sunday. The responsibility of the local church using this missionary program in their community is to furnish lodging and meals and a love offering for the teams expense at the duration on the ministry.

Will you pray that God's blessing will continue to rest upon these two young men as they minister in this capacity throughout our district. The Lord willing the team will be in Half Moon Bay, Salinas and Tracy this summer.

## After Summer - What?

By DAVE COLBERT

Release time education hour which is given to our churches, is by and in large being neglected. The church must become concerned with the opportunity that is ours in the public schools. It seems that many of our churches complete their yearly kids



**Los Banos Release, Time Group**

crusade or vacation bible school and then close the book to extra curricular childrens endeavors. It is hoped that this is not the case with your community outreach. The state allows us to offer an hour a week of religious training to the school children — why not prepare now for the coming school term and have a release time program

in release time education. After the summer is over it is time for your church to plan a harvest of boys and girls for God through the release time education program that is given each week by our local schools. We must utilize every possible avenue to reach our present generation for the Lord Jesus Christ.

## News from Our Churches -

### AUBURN —

Bethel Assembly of God congregation moved into their new building May 10 and began meetings with Evangelist B. C. Wesley of North Sacramento. The pastor is T. E. Fourt.

### BIGGS —

Pastor Ray Oliver has resigned to accept the pastorate at Calvary Assembly in Salinas.

### CHICO —

Recent guest speakers for Pastor E. L. Cole are the Musical Hobbs for their third visit, Bob Harrison and the Emmanuelaires for three services, Evangelist Kenneth Roper in a two-weeks meeting, Missionary James Bellmore, Men's Fellowship with Walt Hansen and Gunar Sondeno, Texas Tyler and Rev. Colman from England.

### DEL PASO HEIGHTS —

Astoria Assembly is having a revival among the young people under the leadership of Pastor Tom Myers. Evangelist John Snodgrass held meetings there recently.

### EL CERRITO —

Paul Boyd, formerly of Pinole Assembly of God held meetings for Pastor V. M. Skore recently. Eleven were saved, three received the Baptism and seven were baptised in water.

### ENTERPRISE —

Pastor Fred Boring reports the special meeting held with Evangelist Ira Stewart was most encouraging. D-Cap Walt Boring recently gave plane rides to C. A. contest winners.

### GALT —

Pastor Carroll Holloway writes the meeting with Pastor Fred Rodgers from Stockton was successful. Sixteen were saved, four reclaimed and four received the Baptism. Bethany Bible College Quartet brought special music one service.

### HAYWARD —

Bethel Assembly of God reports the highest Sunday School average in

their history with 628. Evangelist Bill McPherson held a week of meetings in May. A full time Director of Music and Youth, Gene Anderson began his ministry in June. Recent missionary speakers were James Bellmore and Alfred Cawsten. James Swanson is pastor.

### HUGHSON —

The Central San Joaquin and North San Joaquin C. A.'s under the leadership Earl McMilen and Don Annas enjoyed a banquet in Modesto in honor of the June graduates. On the program were Sacramento Bethel Temple's quarter, John French, Bruce York, former sectional chairman, Eddie and Ruthie Washington and T. Texas Tyler.

### LAKEPORT —

Pastor Stanley Webster reports a six-weeks meeting with Evangelist Bert Dixon of Bristol, England.

### MOUNT SHASTA —

Pastor and Mrs. Casper have adopted a five-week-old girl, Jean Marie.

### OAKLAND —

Revival Tabernacle reports Pastor Cecil Lowry was a recent guest lecturer at Evangel College and Central Bible Institute in Springfield.

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Alisal Assembly heard the Gideons recently. The James Merwines told of

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their trip to Japan and showed films. Pastor Joe Wright spoke for the San Raphael Men's Fellowship in May.

### SACRAMENTO —

Capitol Assembly of God recognized their annual Homecoming and Anniversary Day May 31. The Sunday School was its highest (except Easter) since the coming of Pastor George Elrod. Leslie Crossen gave a brief history of the founding and building of the church. Walt Boring was the evening speaker and the Hobbs family brought special music for the occasion.

### SCOTTS VALLEY —

The Coast Counties Fellowship meeting was held here June 22. Ground was broken for this new church just a year ago. Speakers were Riley Kaufman and Jack Edgar. The pastor is Al Morrison.

### SOQUEL —

Pastor Reuben Davis was host to the Coast Counties Fellowship meeting in May. Speakers were Martin Heickson of Bethany Bible College and Evangelist T. B. Don Carlos. A fellowship dinner was served by the church.

### SUNNYVALE —

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Bob Hoskins recently. Pastor Hillegas had an all-time high in Sunday School enrollment of 472 with a May average attendance of 365.

### YUBA CITY —

Evangelist Walt Trumbo held a two weeks meeting recently.

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PART II.

## Sweet Sixteen in Person

by Maryann Haddock

CONTINUED from last month —

"All right," she said to her reflection, so I've gone to the Spring Banquet with Jun for the last three years ever since I was thirteen. Does that mean I have to for always?" She turned away and then quickly back again. "O.K., so Larry is a little wild. It's not enough to matter. Besides, I'm going with him to the Banquet for his own good! How else is he going to find a different crowd to go around with?"

And with that she put out of her mind all the little annoying thoughts that would spoil her happiness, and gave herself over to dreaming of what would happen the night of the C. A.'s Annual Spring Banquet.

The days before the Banquet dragged as slowly for Sherry as the days before summer vacation, but when the big night finally came, she found herself wishing she could turn back the hands of the clock.

"What would Larry think of the Banquet, and the kids, and me," she thought. "After all, he is almost eighteen." She stared hard at herself in the long mirror — at the wide, billowy skirt, and two inch heels of her shoes. "And I," she thought disparingly, "look exactly sixteen."

She heard the low rumble of his car, and her heart jumped a beat. By the light of the street lamp she could see Larry climb from the low-slung, sleek automobile and walk toward her front door, looking as handsome and as sure of himself as the day she first met him. She whispered "This is it!" and crossing her fingers, she slowly went down stairs.

Sherry was proud of the way Larry acted. He was so polite and well-mannered that she couldn't help flashing her mother a "See, there was nothing to worry about" look, as she floated happily out the door.

But outside, Larry's manners

changed. He startled Sherry by suddenly wrapping his arm around her, making a funny little growl, and saying deep in his throat, "Hey, you look good enough to eat." As they reached the car he added, "'s O. K. with you, I brought a couple of my friends along for this shindig, tonight. Sherry meet Freddie and Brenda."

It was dark and silent in the car. "O. K., O. K., you guys, break it up and meet my girl, here." Larry laughed.

The smile of welcome froze on Sherry's face as she realized that the two faces smiling mockingly back at her were not unfamiliar. She didn't know Freddie and Brenda, but she knew about them, just as every student in Central High knew about them. "How did Larry ever get them to go to a young people's church social?" she thought. They weren't the type to ever go near anything to do with any church. The thoughts were whirling in her head as she searched for something to say when Brenda shrieked, "Ohh, brother, Larry — Sweet Sixteen in person! You really know how to pick 'em," and both she and Freddie began to laugh long and loud.

Sherry glanced at Larry, who was already swinging the big car into the heavy traffic of the boulevard. She said nothing, and while the others laughed and talked, she tried to catalogue the things that were happening.

She had been going to the Spring Banquet, sponsored by all the C. A.'s in the city, with Larry Jensen, whom she thought was terrific. But when he came to pick her up, he had brought with him two of the toughest kids at Central High — this Brenda, and this Freddie — whose greasy head she could see even now bobbing in and out of her line of vision. And now

. . . Sherry suddenly stiffened —

"Larry!" she cried. "This isn't the way to the Auditorium. You're going the wrong way."

Larry said nothing, and it seemed to Sherry that the car sped even faster than before.

"Larry, please," she said. "What are you doing?" He took one hand off the wheel and reached over to pull her toward him. He smiled the crooked little smile that had first captivated her and said, "What are you getting so steamed up about, Sugar. We'll get to your old banquet. I just want to show you something else first."

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### 1959 YOUTH CAMP REPORT —

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day and night to make these good camps possible. The reward for their devotion to these young people will undoubtedly be found in the knowledge of so many lives affected by their counselling which will undoubtedly make a mark on the future of the Assemblies of God.

We of the C. A. Department give God all the glory for another good camp year. We thank the pastors of our organization who have produced the well trained lives of the fine young people who were our campers and we thank the parents of these young people who are evidently bringing their children up in the ways of the Lord.

### American Indian Fellowship

George Effman schedule

Yerington, Nevada, Aug. 14, 15

McDermitt, Nevada, Oct. 2, 3

Table Mountain, Nov. 6, 7

### WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST?

Youth: Too happy to think — time enough.

Manhood: Too busy to think — more money first!

Maturity: Too anxious to think — worry over money.

Declining Years: Too aged to think — fixed habits.

Death: Too late to think — the spirit has flown.

Eternity: Forever to think — God's judgement day.

## Missionaries

### At Home

By Margaret Bond

#### ANDERSON, GEORGE B. —

The Andersons are anticipating leaving for Ghana, Africa, early in the fall. They have a special need for help to finish purchasing their needed equipment.

#### BELLMORE, JAMES —

The Bellmores are making fine progress toward obtaining their support and equipment for the field. They will be itinerating in the East Bay and Peninsula Sections immediately after General Council.

Brother Anderson, Brother Bellmore and Brother Walter Erickson attended the newly initiated Missionary Orientation School in Springfield, Missouri, in July.

#### GRANER, LYDIA —

Sister Graner has been enjoying a short period of rest. Later in the year she will be itinerating.

#### KAUFMAN, RILEY —

The Riley Kaufman family expects to leave for Okinawa in November or December. Mr. Kaufman is program director for the Far East Broadcasting Company's new 100,000 watt transmitter on Okinawa and must be on the field by the time it is ready for use. This station will reach mainland China on the standard broadcast band. Churches desiring the Kaufmans for meetings should contact them as soon as possible.

#### PERSONAL MENTION —

PRESBYTER CARL CURTWRIGHT wishes to express his appreciation to the Peninsula Section for the offering taken at the C.A. Rally in Palo Alto and given to Mrs. Grace McCarty at the time of her bereavement. It amounted to \$251.40.

EVANGELIST SAM KLEIN held a three weeks meeting for Pastor Bob Hives at the Nipomo Assembly in May. Sixteen were saved and six received the Baptism. A number were healed and the church greatly benefited.

LEROY LEBECK has been working with the Marine Medical Mission at Thedis Island, Canada and is now pastoring at Kitimat, B. C.

EVANGELIST KENNETH ROPER held a three weeks meeting in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Visitors attending were 74.

BORN TO PASTOR and MRS. ELMER BUENO, May 12, Chris David.

## Missionaries

### Abroad

#### AFRICA —

J. W. Nilsen, Congo Belge reports a storm recently which destroyed their church building and other structures. The doctor has ordered a complete rest for Brother Milsen but after a day of fasting and prayer by the church he is better. Prayer is requested that he may be able to continue his work until furlough time. A two-weeks refresher course was held for the natives and five Bible School students received the Holy Spirit.

#### FORMOSA —

James E. Baker sends a picture of the dormitory and teacher's residence paid for at least in part by friends from this district. There has been a revival in the school and prayer is requested for guidance in opening new works.

#### SOUTH AMERICA —

John and Doris Lemos, Brazil writes a full-term Bible School of the Assemblies has been inaugurated. Previous attempts have been short lived but it is hoped the present plan of eight-months terms of two years will be successful. The building was dedicated March 18.

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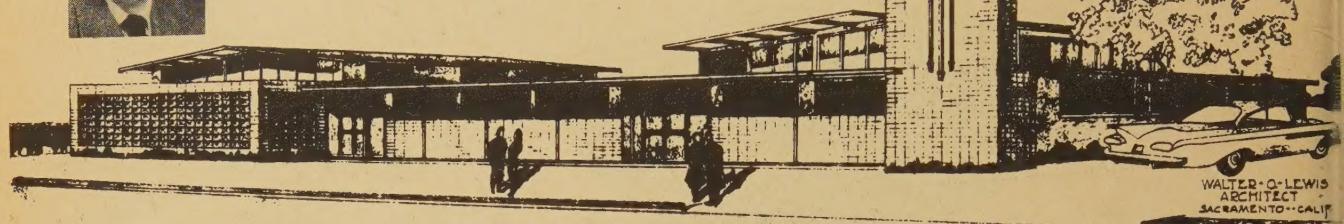
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